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WHAT IS CONCORDIA?
BRITISH COLONIAL SECRETS REVEALED PLUS AFRICAN ARCHIVISTS GALORE!

Sixty reels of microfilmed secret British colonial documents tracing the history of Kenya will be presented to Loyola's library tomorrow (Oct. 11, 10:45 a.m., Vanier Library, 7141 Sherbrooke W.).

Making the presentation will be Kenya's Acting Chief Archivist Robert J. Kukubo; he will be joined by professors of African history Frank Chalk (SGW) and Michael Mason (Loyola) in giving the research material to Chief Librarian, Joseph Princz.

Chalk learned of the material on a trip to Africa this summer. It covers the period 1914-1955, and includes secret British field reports on the results of strategy to force Africans into the labor market, as well as files on the Mau Mau movement. Concordia's Loyola library will be the only source in Canada for this major research addition (Syracuse U. the only other in North America).

Also on hand will be Donald Savage, former history prof now executive secretary of the Canadian Association of University Teachers, who established the Loyola African collection in 1967.

Same day 1-3 p.m. in room 762 of the Hall Building (de Maisonneuve at Bishop) an informal discussion of prospects for Canadian-African cooperation in scholarly research with African senior archivists Kukubo of Kenya, J.C. Enwere of Nigeria, Amadou Alassane Bousso of Senegal, S. Batheas Mollomb of the Congo (Brazaville), and perhaps representatives from the Ivory Coast and Algeria. They will be joined at Sir George by students and professors from all Montreal universities. Wine & cheese with the group at 3:30 p.m. Sponsored by Concordia U. and the Canadian Association of African Studies.

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